

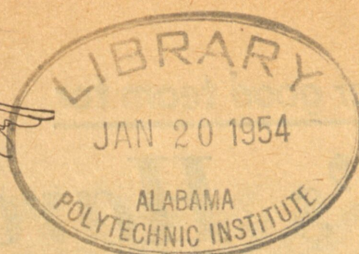
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Congratulations due Shug and Plainsmen for

Best Football Season Since 1935

EDITOR'S NOTE: As Auburn has only recently finished its finest football campaign since 1935, The Alumnews thinks it fitting that hearty congratulations be extended Coach Ralph Jordan and his boys.

The past season was one during which we were tremendously proud to be Auburn rooters. And despite the 35-13 Gator Bowl loss, Auburnites still know very definitely that Auburn's Plainsmen have come out of the Southeastern Conference football cellar and have developed into one of the South's most powerful combines. For the able work that they have done, The Alumnews pays tribute to Coach Jordan, his coaching assistants, and the entire Plainsman squad. The 1953 team re-wrote the Plainsman record book, and added a number to the official SEC record book.

To re-hash the past season, summarize the Gator Bowl game, and relate some of the records established by the Tigers, The Alumnews asked Auburn's Sports Publicity Director Bill Beckwith, '51, to write the story that appears on this page.

All over now . . .

IT'S ALL over now but folks will be talking about Auburn's 1953 football season for years to come.

Fourteen modern records were tossed out by this X and Y system Ralph Jordan used to combat the gridiron disaster that has been hanging around since before the war.

Why the tremendous uplift?

'Coach of the Year'

THE SEC'S selection of Jordan as "Coach of the Year" explains a major portion of it. Two outstanding quarterbacks, Vince Dooley and Bobby Freeman, helped—not to mention an early-producing group of sophomores and a determined group of veterans who also contributed.

Despite the controversy, the change-in-rules was a minor factor in Auburn's success. Of course, it helped, but the credit still goes to the coaches, team, and patient alumni.

The Gator Bowl was the reward for hard work and keen planning. The outcome of the game is just a penalty for inexperience. A good football team beat another good team in the

Gator Bowl. One profited by winning and the other profited with experience and a good lesson which might build a better Auburn.

What about '54?

JORDAN admits that his building program was not supposed to show real dividends until next fall. Even then, he didn't expect seven wins and one tie, plus a Bowl bid.

What about 1954?

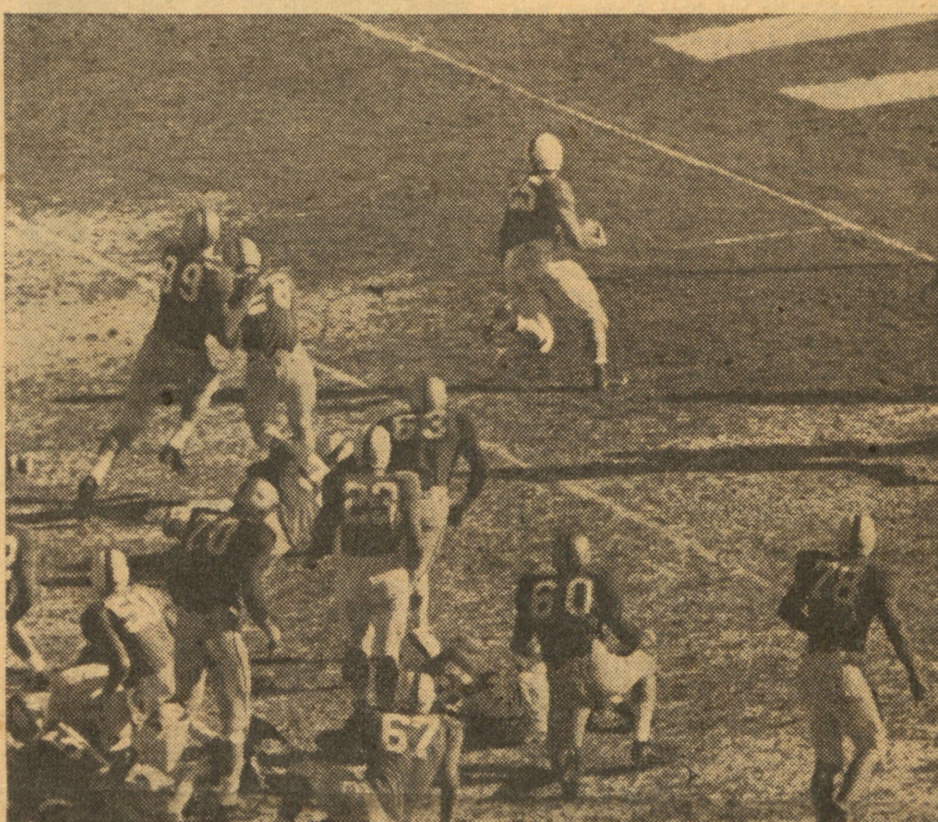
It could be even more profitable, but this is doubtful. It's hard to replace boys like Vince Dooley, Joe Davis, Bobby Duke, Charlie Littles, and Charlie Hataway in the backfield. Then too, there are Vince Nardone, Ed Duncan, and Ed Baker from the X team line to replace.

There are plenty of young line-men but the losses were so few that some will not even have a good chance until 1955. Speaking of 1955—it should be the best sophomore team in Auburn's history because on paper, there have never been any better signees.

NAME your years but there has never been one like 1953 and we doubt if there will ever be another. Here's what happened:

1953 "Coach of the Year" for the Southeastern Conference.

1953 "Coach of the Year for the SEC" by the NASHVILLE BANNER.



Dooley makes it 13-7 but Tech won 35-13

The UNITED PRESS' "Coach of the Week" for the nation after the 13-0 upset over Mississippi.

Sixth in SCRIPPS-HOWARD voting for "Coach of the Year" for the nation.

Best Auburn record since 1935 team won eight and lost two.

First time an Auburn team had won five consecutive games—Tulane, Florida, Miami, Georgia, and Clemson—since 1932.

Highest and best SEC record since 1937.

Best total offensive team in SEC. Highest scoring team in SEC.

Most points scored by Auburn team in history of the SEC.

Second major Bowl game in history of school.

Fourth place finish in ASSOCIATED PRESS' "Surprise Football Team of 1953" behind Illinois, Stanford, and Iowa.

New contract until 1960 for Jordan.

Fourteen all-time school individual and team records broken.

Two sophomores—Jim Pyburn and Frank D'Agostino—1st string All-SEC.

A top-notch recruiting job is always appreciated, and is something of which to be proud.

Jordan and his assistants plucked the best in Alabama. Then they stepped over to near-by Georgia and held their own with Tech and Georgia. Proof here is Billy Kitchens, 1953 "Back of the Year" for Georgia from Macon. In Tennessee, there's Bobby Hoppe, "Back of the Year" for that State. All in all, it was terrific.

We can only guess about the future. But from here, the picture is a bright one. At any rate, if the coming seasons are anything like the one just past, then give us more, and let Mrs. Jordan continue to plant her pecan trees in the "Loveliest Village."

★ Fall Football ★ Foes

AUBURN'S 1954 football schedule was announced last week by Auburn Athletic Director Jeff Beard. This fall, the Plainsmen of Coach Shug Jordan will meet six SEC opponents and four non-conference teams.

Three new names appear on the '54 schedule, Chattanooga University, Florida State University, and Kentucky. They replace Stetson, Mississippi, and Mississippi State.

Homecoming will be with Clemson on November 20 in Cliff Hare Stadium. Two other games—Chattanooga and FSU—will be played in the Auburn stadium.

1954 AUBURN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 25	Chattanooga University in Auburn
Oct. 2	Florida in Gainesville, Fla.
Oct. 9	Kentucky in Lexington, Ky.
Oct. 16	Georgia Tech in Atlanta, Ga.
Oct. 23	FSU in Auburn
Oct. 30	Tulane (site undecided)
Nov. 6	Miami University in Birmingham
Nov. 13	Georgia in Columbus, Ga.
Nov. 20	Clemson in Auburn (Homecoming)
Nov. 27	Alabama in Birmingham

Eaves produces another good team for

Auburn's Hardwood Play

BASKETBALL at Auburn has followed a pattern for many years. It's not great, but it is good. This season is no different.

With 11 games under their belts, the Plainsmen of Coach Joel Eaves, '37, showed an impressive 8-3 record, having lost only to Alabama, 62-70; Vanderbilt, 48-96, and Mississippi State, 74-79. In cold and hot spurts, the Eavesmen clipped the wings of Birmingham Southern, Howard, Georgia Tech, Georgia, Miss. State, and Mississippi.

Auburn's senior team boasts several sharp-shooters, but Bob Miller, 6-6 center, has looked most impressive thus far. The rangy senior is averaging close to 20 points per game and is thought to be the best Auburn has had since Shag Hawkins.

The Hackensacker

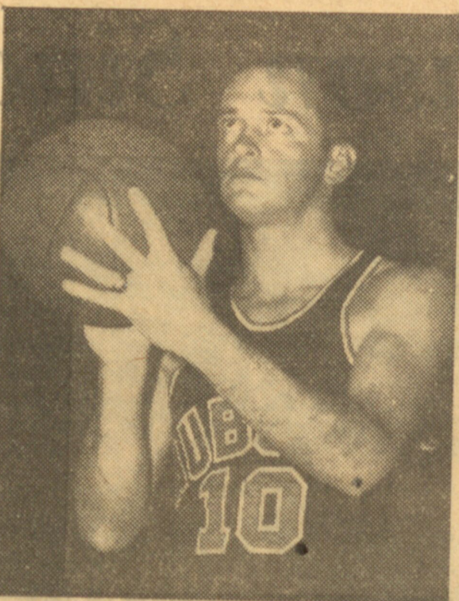
JIM O'Donnell, the Hackensack, N. J., sophomore, has pressed Miller for scoring honors in several games, and has averaged about a dozen per contest. The flashy forward is a regular mainstay along with Bill Fickling, 6-4, the other forward.

The two first string guard posts are manned usually by Jack Turner, senior two-year letterman and alternate captain, and Bill Kirkpatrick. Alternating

Making up the rest of the squad are Jim Martin, Kay Slayden, Walt Stoudenmire, Gordon Mummert, Doyle Haynes, Henry Sturkie, and Bob Wright.

The remainder of the schedule showed the roughest yet to come. Tough encounters with Tech, Georgia, Florida, Vanderbilt, LSU, Tulane, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Alabama are on the hardwood menu for the tall Eavesmen before the season concludes March 6.

A quick rundown on the 11 games are as follow:



Bill Kirkpatrick

AUBURN 81, Birmingham Southern 50—at Auburn. Eaves used 16 men in the season's opener with Miller scoring 19 points before sitting out most of the second half. Jim O'Donnell added 12. Auburn jumped to a 27-14 lead at halftime.

Auburn 93, Birmingham Eouthern 66—at Southern. Miller scored 20 with guards Jack Turner and Bill Kirkpatrick adding 17 as the Plainsmen jumped to an early lead.

Auburn 70, Howard 63—at Birmingham Auditorium. Turner saved this one with a one-hander from the circle that tied the score 63-63. In the overtime, O'Donnell added two field goals, Miller one, and a free throw by Johnny Cochran iced the affair. O'Donnell and Miller scored 22 each.

AUBURN 83, Georgia Tech 56—at Montgomery Coliseum. O'Donnell set Auburn afire early and Tech cooled. The handsome sophomore finished high scorer

with 18 points. Miller was cool with 11 points.

Auburn 75, Georgia 73—at Birmingham Classic. Miller set an all-time Auburn scoring record with 31 points in this game; but had to struggle to nose out Georgia's guard, Murphy McManus, who tossed in 30. Scoring 18 to Georgia's 15 points in the fourth period proved the difference.

Auburn 62, Alabama 70—at Birmingham Classic. The Tiders handed Eaves his first loss in the Classic finals. Sophomores George Linn, 24, and Leon Marlaire, 16, turned the tables. Auburn's best was Cochran, 14, and Miller, 11.

AUBURN 48, Vanderbilt 96—at Nashville. Despite a halftime difference of only six points, the Commodores scored 35 points in the third period to completely outclass the cold Plainsmen. Forward Dan Finch was the big man for the winners with 25 points. Miller scored 24, exactly half of Auburn's output.

Tigers clip State

Auburn 76, Mississippi State 75—at Birmingham Auditorium. Auburn staved off a late State rally thanks to an early lead provided by Miller's 24 points and Bill Fickling's 18. Jim Ashmore, subbing for Gerald Caveness, led State with 26 points.

Auburn 84, Howard 56—at Auburn. This was the top game for Eaves' team. They connected from every angle and used 14 men. Four men scored ten or more points—Turner (15), Miller (13), O'Donnell (12), and Kay Slayden (11).



Captain Bob Miller

at the forward post with Fickling is Johnny Cochran, a fine defensive stalwart and an accurate shot too.



John Cochran

AUBURN 74, Mississippi State 79—at Mississippi State. This was the first SEC game that counted and a hard loss. Danny Daily, State center, scored 27 for the homefolks. Jim Martin, subbing late for Miller, hit for 19 for Auburn's best. State grabbed an early lead and stretched it. Auburn came too late with too little.

Auburn 66, Mississippi 61—at Oxford. The Rebels, after beating powerful Alabama the night before, were completely unable to handle the fast-moving Plainsmen who started fast and held off a desperate Ole Miss rally in the final minutes. Rubber-legged Johnny Cochran bagged 16 to set the bucket pace for Coach Joel's boys.



Coach Joel Eaves



Jack Turner

API Enrollment Soars To 6,350 For Winter

AS The Alumnews went to press, Auburn's winter quarter enrollment had risen to approximately 6,350. This figure, it was reported by the college bursar's office, it is around 250 to 300 higher than the total for the winter quarter a year ago.

Some 200 Korean War Veterans are enrolled for the first quarter of 1954. They will take up the slack from graduation of 200 seniors at commencement just before Christmas.

All dorms filled

AGAIN, all the college dormitories were filled and many students obtained rooms in the homes of townspeople. However, this quarter all male students who came were accepted.

"Thanks to the cooperation of townspeople in making and reporting space available," said Dr. H. F. Vallery, API housing coordinator, "all men students who came were accepted."

Only a limited number of rooms were available this quarter for women students. Women who entered were those who applied last fall and were denied entrance at that time.

Registrar Edwards

THE increase at Auburn points up the observation made last year by API Registrar Charles Edwards, that enrollment would probably level off at between 5,000 and 6,000 per quarter until about 1955.

President Ralph B. Draughon attributes the increasing enrollment at Auburn to the growing prestige and respect that the college is gaining as an outstanding university, and to the recognition of the college's worth.

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On The Campus

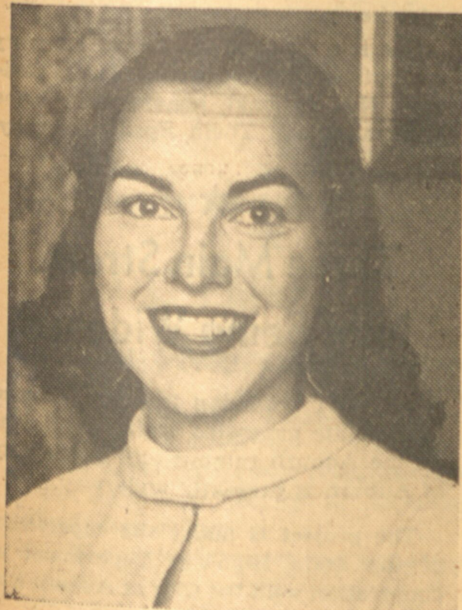
STILL trying to forget the score of the Gator Bowl game, but with pleasant memories of that glorious first half, Auburn students trekked back to the Plains January 4 to begin work for the Winter Quarter, 1954.

A welcome sight to all the campus was the opening of the Union Building. The Cafeteria began serving at noon January 6, and announced that its facilities would be open to townspeople as well as faculty and students. Since opening, the Cafeteria has been serving hundreds every day. Another popular part of the building is the snack bar, which has been having plenty of customers also.

Classwork got underway Wednesday, Jan. 6, and many students resolved to settle down and bring up the grade-point average. Still on the agenda, though, were exciting basketball games in the Sports Arena. It's always a packed house when Coach Joel Eaves sends his powerful "Swish Kids" onto the hardwood.

Miss Auburn

ELECTED MISS Auburn last fall, this pretty coed from Athens, Ala., attended the Gator Bowl game as the college's official representative at pre-game festivities. One of the prizes for Miss Auburn each year is an all expense paid trip to see the Gator Bowl game.



Nancy Dupree

ATO's begin new home

ALPHA TAU Omega fraternity held ground breaking ceremonies Saturday, Jan. 9, for its new \$110,000 chapter house to be located on West Magnolia Avenue.

Of contemporary design, the new house will be the fifth modern fraternity unit to be constructed on the Auburn campus in recent years.

Of modern design

THE NEW house will be of modern design throughout and will be built on a 7½ acre wooded plot just beyond the Theta Chi house. The exterior will be of red brick and wood. Ceiling to floor windows will be used in the living room and reception areas on the front of the house. The dining and chapter rooms are designed so they may be opened with the main reception area for dances and parties.

A dormitory wing connected to the main area will provide housing for 50 members. An apartment for the housemother is also included.

After completion of the house, fraternity members hope to develop the acreage and a lakesite located near the house.

Moore, Samford in charge

IN CHARGE of ceremonies were Ack Moore, Fairhope, president of the fraternity, and Yetta G. Samford, Opelika, chairman of the Alumni Building Committee.

Other members of the committee are Frank Samford, Birmingham; Judson Salter, Opelika; George Burroughs, Columbus, Ga.; and "Fuzzy" Perret, Tusculumbia.

Also attending the ceremonies will be API President Ralph B. Draughon; Chapter housemother Mrs. C. E. Lowe; Jay Brumfield, assistant director of student affairs, API; W. T. Ingram, API business manager; Alex Taylor, ATO faculty advisor, and other college representatives, alumni and guests.

DeMille elects beauties

IT WAS NEWS on the campus when Cecil B. DeMille, dean of American moving picture producers, accepted The Glomerata's invitation to select the eight ODK-Glomerata beauties to be featured in the 1954 yearbook.

"I feel that Auburn is fortunate in having such a qualified judge of womanhood to select our beauties," Glom editor Fred Nichols stated.

DeMille selected the eight finalists who were presented at the ODK-Glomerata Beauty Ball on November 21.

New Presbyterian Church

OF MUCH INTEREST to many Auburn students on Sunday, Jan. 10, was the dedication services for the newly completed First Presbyterian Church in Auburn.

The new building was built so as to better serve the increasing membership the church has seen under the able leadership of Dr. John H. Leith, minister. More than 650 Presbyterian students at Auburn are among those which the church hopes to serve.

Under construction since early 1953, the new structure of contemporary-classical architecture and mounted with a 120 foot tower is located on the corner of Thach Avenue and S. Gay Street in Auburn, the original site of the church.

Synod gives \$100,000

THE SYNOD of Alabama contributed \$100,000 to the building fund on behalf of the students.

Total cost of construction for the church, which has a maximum seating capacity of 866, was approximately \$250,000. Seating capacity can be increased to 900 by use of chairs in front pews and the building can be enlarged to seat a maximum of 1,100.

The social hall and kitchen, which will serve and seat over 300, breaks up into nine Church School rooms and one assembly room.

Buttrick to speak

AS A continuation of the dedication program, Dr. Leith announced that on Sunday, Jan. 24, the Church will have as guest speaker Dr. George Buttrick, minister of the Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church in New York City. Dr. Buttrick was recently selected by LIFE Magazine as one of the 10 great preachers of America.

He will deliver the sermon at the morning service at 11 a.m. and will speak again at the evening service which will be held at 5 p.m.

"All ministers of Presbyterian Churches in Alabama and all groups who have contributed to the building of the Church are invited to hear Dr. Buttrick at the morning and evening services," Dr. Leith said.



Here's part of the colorful Gator Bowl Parade

Five new scholarships

FIVE scholarships, each providing \$750 per year or a total of \$3,000 for four years of college, have been made available to Auburn students by the Avondale Educational and Charitable Foundation.

To be awarded to students entering the API School of Textile Engineering in the fall of 1954, the scholarships will be awarded to applicants from seven Avondale Mill communities in the state. The recipients must be graduates of the high schools of the communities, or employees, or children of employees of Avondale Mills.

The communities are Stevenson, Pell City, Birmingham, (Woodlawn High School), Sycamore, Sylacauga, Alexander City, and LaFayette.

"Present plans are to award five scholarships annually," said Craig Smith, president of Avondale Mills. In selecting the scholarship winners, the committee will give consideration to character, scholastic winners, the committee will give consideration to character, scholastic record, qualities of leadership, participation in student and community activities and special consideration to the financial need of the applicant.

Designs on exhibition

DESIGNS by two API students, Thomas P. Hughes, Birmingham, and David Van Fraser, Decatur, Ga., and one API graduate, John Robert Moody, Boaz, are being shown in an exhibit now on tour of colleges throughout the United States.

The exhibit includes all designs awarded prizes in the annual Student Competition in Interior Design sponsored by the American Institute of Decorators.

Problem for the 1953 competition was the planning and design of a guest house in a residential area within commuting distance of a large city. The house was to be designed to accommodate two persons and provide all the conveniences needed for living, eating, and sleeping.

Some 136 entries representing 28 schools and colleges throughout the U.S. and Canada were entered in the competition.

Hughes placed second

HUGHES, who is now a senior in interior design, placed second in the national competition and won a cash award of \$150 and an expense-paid trip to New York City for the 22nd annual

Conference of the American Institute of Decorators.

Designs by Fraser, who is a senior in interior design, and Moody, who graduated in June, 1953, were selected for the traveling exhibit.

IFC wins award

AUBURN'S 22 fraternities recently received nationwide recognition from the National Interfraternity Council for their outstanding services to the community, fraternity members, of the college and student body and to fraternity ideals.

At a meeting of the National Council in Cincinnati, Ohio, Claude Casey, Chattanooga, Tenn., president of the API IFC, accepted a plaque awarded to the API Council as runner-up in the annual competition in which records of all colleges IFC's are considered for recognition.

Presentation of the award to the API organization marks the first time that a college or university in the deep South has placed for a top honor.

Auburn runner-up

IN ANNOUNCING the award of the plaque, Casey stated, "Entries were made in the form of brochures outlining plans and results of the programs of the various Interfraternity Councils. The brochures were presented to the National Council which meets annually to discuss fraternity problems."

"At the meeting, the graduate members of the NIFC are hosts to members of the undergraduate council and sponsor the annual awards."

Awards were made to colleges and universities in three categories, Casey said. They were smaller schools with enrollment of less than 2,500 students; larger schools in cities of 75,000 population or less; and larger schools in cities of more than 75,000. Auburn fell in the second classification.

Members of the Auburn IFC who submitted material for the brochure are: Frank Orr, Athens, cover; Tommy Fuller, Childersburg, scholarship committee report; Bill Lovin, Decatur, intramural sports; Doug Lunsford, Troy, Greek Week report; Sam Bickley, Jonesboro, Tenn., foreign student scholarship; Charles Harding, Birmingham, religious activities; and Charles Wilson, Russellville, rushing.

Several outstanding instructors added

New Faculty Members

EACH year, several new faculty members are added to the API staff to replace those who leave to assume other positions. A number of outstanding instructors have been added in the various departments in recent months and The Alumnews feels that alumni need to be acquainted with them.

Space limitations prohibit The Alumnews from printing background information on all of the new instructors, so it will be necessary to carry additional articles in the future. These few, however, do point up the rise in the academic standards at Auburn, and this article should serve to familiarize Auburnites with the calibre of men and women now being added to the staff.

English Department

THE addition of one assistant professor and six instructors to the teaching staff of the English Department has been announced by Franklin T. McCann, acting head. They are: Prof. Charles W. Moorman, Miss Lois Anne Brien, Miss Jacqueline L. Freeman, Miss Virginia T. Herrin, David L. Jones, John A. Mayne, and Charles A. Parker.

Professor Moorman is a graduate of Kenyon College and took his doctorate at Tulane University. He has written for the "Explicator," "South Atlantic Quarterly," and "American Literature."

Miss Brien, instructor in speech, received her bachelor's degree at Ohio University and her master's degree at the University of Alabama. Her principal interest is speech therapy for children and adults.

Miss Freeman

MISS Freeman received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Boston University. While in college she was literary editor of the school paper, The Beacon. She has also served as assistant editor of The Concord Journal.

Miss Herrin is a graduate of Agnes Scott College and has completed most of the requirements for the doctorate at the University of North Carolina where she has also served as instructor. From 1946 to 1949 she was assistant professor of English at Wesleyan Conservatory and School of Fine Arts in Macon, Georgia.

David Jones has received the bachelor's and master's degrees from Harvard University. The academic year 1951-52 he spent in Austria at the University of Innsbruck under a Fulbright grant.

John A. Mayne

JOHN Mayne is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College and has completed most of the requirements for the doctorate at the same institution. He has also served there for several years as instructor in English.

Charles A. Parker, instructor in speech, received his bachelor's degree from Muhlenberg College and his master's degree from Temple University. For the past two years he has worked with the American Red Cross in Pennsylvania as administrator and public speaker in the blood donor recruitment program.

Math Department

DR. W. V. Parker, head of the department of mathematics, recently announced the appointment of four assistant professors to the mathematics staff.

Mr. Charles W. McArthur received the B.S. degree from Louisiana State Uni-

versity and the M.S. degree from Brown University. He has done additional graduate study at Tulane University and expects to complete the requirements for the Ph.D. degree there during this year. He has taught at Brown University, Tulane University and the University of Maryland.

Dr. Norman C. Perry received the B.A. degree from the University of California at Los Angeles, the M. A. degree and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Southern California. He has taught at Occidental College, University of Southern California and San Jose State College.

Dr. H. D. Sprinkle

DR. H. D. Sprinkle received the B.A. degree from the University of Arizona, the M.A. degree from the University of Miami and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Florida. He has taught at the University of Miami and the University of Florida.

Mr. Joseph O. Wilson received the B.S. degree and the M.S. degree from Louisiana State University. He has done additional graduate work there and expects to complete requirements for the Ph.D. degree there during the year. He has taught at Louisiana State University for the past five years.

ROTC Department

THE assignment of four new instructors to the Army ROTC Department was announced recently by Colonel Walter J. Klepinger, PMS&T.

The new personnel are Major John M. Bushey, Armor, who will be the Senior Armor Instructor; Major Roland H. Jensen, Artillery; Captain Andrew W. Lamar, Jr., Armor; and Master Sergeant Paul H. Moore, assistant instructor for Artillery.

Major Bushey has just returned from Germany where he served with the Seventh Army. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and the Armor Advance Officers Course at Fort Knox. Major Bushey's decorations are the Bronze Star, Presidential Unit Citation, American Defense, American Theater, ETO with seven battle stars, Victory and Germany Occupation Ribbons. He also has the Belgian Fourragere.

Major Jensen has returned from Heidelberg, Germany, after serving with the Intelligence Division, U. S. Army, Europe. He graduated from the University of Utah and entered the Army in 1941. He completed the Artillery Advanced Officers Course at Fort Sill, Okla. in 1949.

He was awarded the Silver Star, Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, Presidential Unit Citation, American Theater, ETO, German Occupation, and Victory Ribbons during World War II.

Capt. Andrew Lamar

CAPTAIN Lamar completed service in Korea just prior to the signing of the truce. He is a native Alabamian and attended Auburn from 1941 through 1943. After which, he entered the U.S. Military Academy and graduated in 1946. In addition to serving in Korea with the 73rd Tank Bn. in 1952-53, Captain Lamar served in Germany from 1947 to 1950.

He is a qualified parachutist and graduated from the Armor Advanced Officers Course, Fort Knox, Ky., in 1952. He has received the Air Medal, German Occupation, Victory Medals, American Theater and UN Service, Korea, Ribbons. Captain Lamar and his wife, Julia, have two children.

M/Sergeant Moore completed a tour in Korea in April, 1953 and was assigned

to Auburn from the Third Army, Fort McPherson, Ga. He is a native of Auburn and attended API from 1947 to 1950 when he joined the Army.

Sergeant Moore served in Europe during World War II and was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation while serving as a parachutist with the 67th Airborne Division in Europe and another citation for service in the 461st Infantry in Korea. He wears the Combat Infantry Badge, Good Conduct, Victory Medals, American, ETO, and Korean Ribbons.

Physics Department

THREE new faculty members have joined the physics department staff since the beginning of the Fall Quarter.

Dr. Leon Anderson of Columbus, Ohio, comes to API as assistant professor of physics. He received his B.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Ohio State University where he held teaching and research fellowships while pursuing work in theoretical physics.

Since obtaining his doctorate, he has been employed at Experimental Nuclear Physics Section at Los Alamos and more recently at the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory operated by the General Electric Company at Schenectady, New York.

Dr. Anderson holds membership in Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Pi Sigma and the American Physical Society. At Auburn, he will continue research and conduct courses in theoretical physics for graduate and undergraduate students.

Dr. Henry Hotz

DR. HENRY Palmer Hotz, a native of Fayetteville, Arkansas, joins the staff as an assistant professor of physics. Dr. Hotz received his B.S. degree from the University of Arkansas and his Ph.D. degree from Washington University in St. Louis. He also studied one year at the University of Chicago. He has done research in the field of atomic and nuclear physics.

Dr. Hotz is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, Sigma Pi Sigma, Pi Mu Epsilon, American Physical Society, and American Association for the Advancement of Science. He will conduct advanced courses and continue his work in the atomic and nuclear field at Auburn.

Clarence Bond of Smithville, Tennessee, has been appointed instructor in physics. He holds an A.B. degree from Tennessee Polytechnic Institute and an M.S. degree from Auburn.

At Auburn, he has worked in atomic and molecular physics under grants from the Atomic Energy Commission. He will continue his research in this field and will also aid in the undergraduate instructional program.

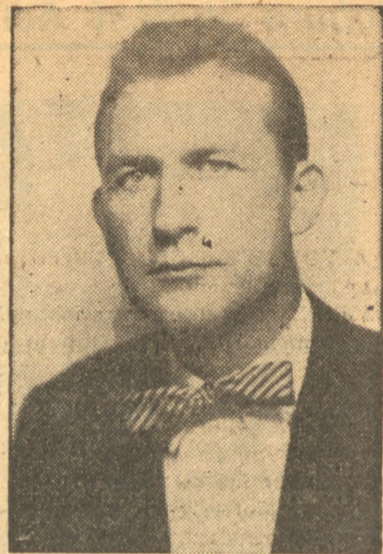
Home Economics School

FOUR new appointments to the staff of the School of Home Economics have been announced.

Appointed as instructor in the API Nursery School was Miss Evelyn Gustafson, a native of Tallahassee, Fla. She holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in home economics from Florida State University.

Mrs. Mary Layfield of Auburn has been named an instructor in kindergarten. A graduate of API, she received the B.S. in home economics in 1951 and the Master of Science degree in 1952.

She is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, national scholastic honorary, and Chi Omega social sorority.



CHESTER Harold Jordan has joined the API faculty as assistant professor of architecture, in the School of Architecture and the Arts. Jordan, a native of Texas, did his undergraduate work at Princeton University. He has had seven years association with professional architects and came to Auburn from active practice.



Mrs. Lena Cannon

NEW assistant professor in foods and nutrition is Mrs. Lena Cannon.

Originally from Morgantown, W. Va., she holds the B.S. and M.S. degrees in home economics from West Virginia University. She has been on the teaching faculties at West Virginia University, the University of Wisconsin, and API. She is a member of Phi Upsilon Omicron, home economics honorary, and the American Home Economics Association.

A graduate assistant in home management last year, Mrs. Earlene Nall, has been appointed instructor in the Auxiliary Nursery School. She received the B.S. degree in home economics from API in 1952 and is completing requirements for a master's degree.

She is a member of Sphinx, honorary for outstanding women students, Omicron Nu, national honorary in home economics, and Theta Epsilon sorority.



Three Main Streets Now Being Widened

A STREET widening program planned to alleviate congested traffic conditions on the Auburn campus and in the City of Auburn is presently underway.

The project is under the supervision of the State Highway Department in cooperation with the City of Auburn and the college.

Those streets affected by the program are Thach and Magnolia Avenues and College Street.

Thach, Magnolia, College

IN DISCUSSING the plans, Dr. David Mullins, executive vice-president of API, stated that traffic problems on the campus and in the City of Auburn have increased tremendously over the last few years.

"Many of our streets," he stated, "are entirely too narrow and were designed to accommodate traffic of 20 years ago."

Thach Avenue and Magnolia Avenue, he said, carry much of the burden of campus traffic and College Street has proved to be a bottleneck for travelers as well as college students and local townspeople.

"WITH the completion of the Student Union Building," Dr. Mullins said, "campus officials expect traffic to increase on Thach Avenue which is already one of the heaviest traveled streets on the campus."

Highway Department officials plan to widen Thach 10 feet to give a width of 36 feet. It will be widened from College Street to Donahue Drive, a length of 2,640 feet.

API receives \$6,049 from insurance

New Scholarship Fund

A YOUTH'S desire to attend Auburn—an ambition never realized—has provided API with a new scholarship fund.

A memorial scholarship in honor of Major General Carl William Connell, a native of Jefferson County, has been set up at the college.

Although General Connell did not attend Auburn he had selected it for his "Alma Mater," and named it as contingent beneficiary in his National Service Life Insurance Policy.

'... interest never waned'

LAST Spring API received \$6,049 from his insurance. Interest from the fund will be used each year as a gift scholarship for some worthy Alabama boy. The principal amount was invested in Endowment and Trust Fund and will maintain this scholarship continuously.

A letter to an API official from Mr. Walter G. Connell, cousin of the General, states, "You asked the source of his interest in API. General Connell's interest in Auburn never waned, and when quite young, he selected it for his Alma Mater, but the allure of the Canal Zone at that time proved too compelling. I'm sure he always regretted his decision."

USAF career officers

MAJOR Connell, a career officer in the USAF, was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, World War I Victory Medal, American Defense Service Medal with Foreign Service Clasp, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with two Bronze Service Stars, and World War II Victory Medal.

In 1934, he was made a Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy for service in connection with the Decennial Air Cruise. He died in 1946 and was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery.

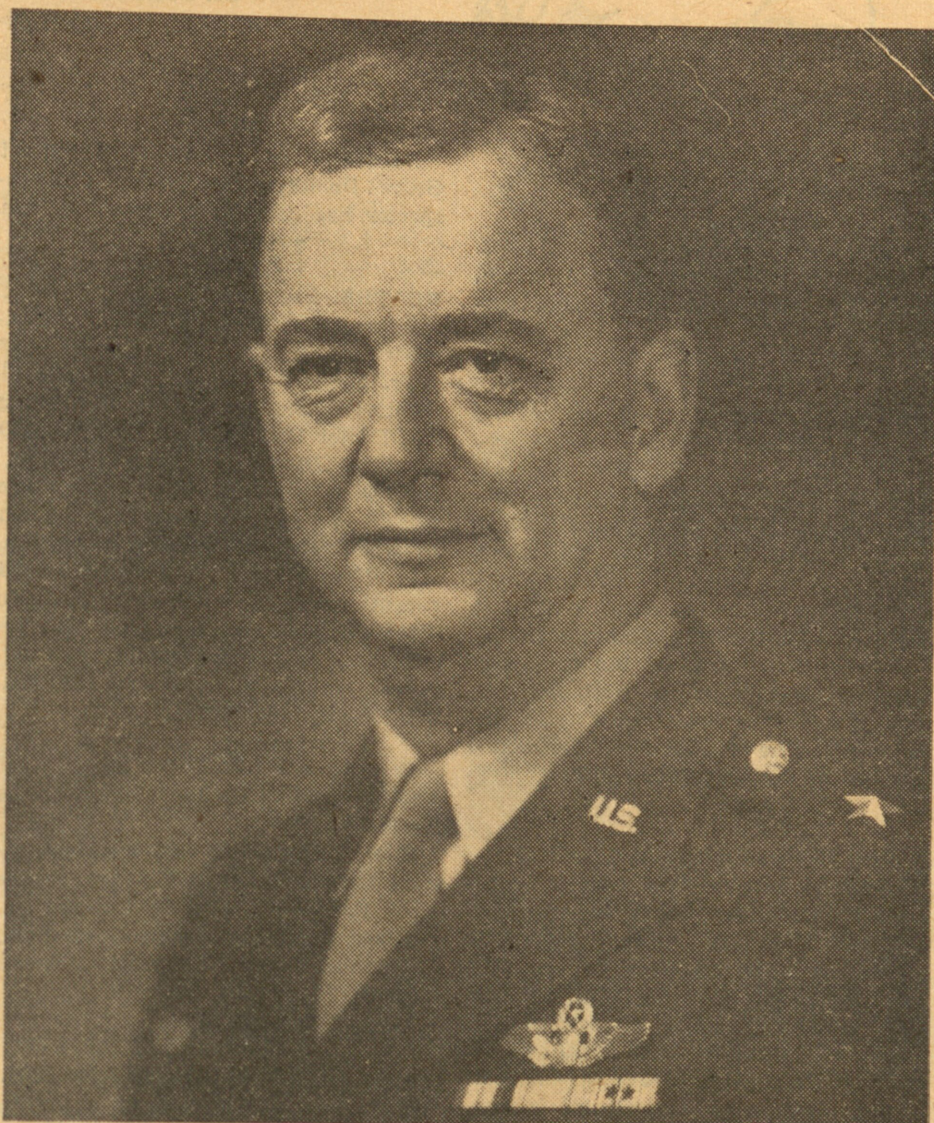
His wife was the former Miss Auwilda Wilford Saffer of Leesburg, Virginia. Upon her death, General Connell's life insurance went to API.



J. C. Falkner, '10, Wins Melville Award

JEFFERSON C. Falkner, '10, was awarded on December 2 the Melville prize medal for a paper presented before the American Society of Mechanical Engineers in 1952.

The Melville medal "for an original



MAJOR GENERAL CARL WILLIAM CONNELL



thesis of exceptional merit," went to Falkner for his paper, "Quick Starting of Large High-Pressure High-Temperature Boilers."

Placed in library

A COPY of Falkner's paper, and several other papers on the Quick Starting of Turbine, have been placed with the engineering library at Auburn for use by students interested in that field.

Following his graduation from Auburn in 1910, Mr. Falkner worked for several power and light companies until 1920 when he joined the Brooklyn Edison Company, having charge of installing mechanical equipment in the Hud-

son Avenue Generating Station and serving as the station's first superintendent of operation.

In 1926 he became assistant research engineer of the New York Edison Company, and when it merged with the United Electric Light and Power Company in 1933, he was appointed assistant chief operating engineer.

He was assistant operating superintendent of Brooklyn Edison from 1936 to 1937, and since its merger with New York Edison, has been manager of the Electric Production Department of the Consolidated Edison Company. An ASME member since 1923, Mr. Falkner was elected a Fellow in 1951.



York Advances At N. C. State

AUBURN'S Dr. E. T. York, Jr., '42, is new head of the agronomy department at North Carolina State College.

His appointment was made by Dr. D. W. Colvard, dean of the School of Agriculture at North Carolina State. Dr. York succeeds Dr. William E. Colwell, who was named assistant director of the Agricultural Experiment Station in charge of tobacco research.

North Carolina State's Agronomy Department is one of the world's largest organizations of its kind. Dr. York will be in charge of the administration and supervision of the department's far-flung teaching, research, and extension work.



Dr. E. T. York, Jr., '42

From Mentone, Ala.

A NATIVE of Mentone, Ala., Dr. York was born July 4, 1922. He received his B.S. degree at API in 1942 and his M.S. degree in 1946, and at Cornell University, he earned his Ph.D. degree in 1949.

Prior to joining the North Carolina State College faculty in 1949, he was a teaching and staff officer in the U.S. Army, 1943-45; a research assistant, Auburn, 1945-46; and a research fellow, Cornell University, 1946-49.

A popular figure with the students of the college, Dr. York has been chosen for honorary membership in the student chapters of Golden Chain and Blue Key. The students also dedicated their agronomy year-book, "Crops and Soils," and "Livestock Day" to him.

Member of Phi Kappa Phi

HE IS an active member of Phi Kappa Phi, Society of Sigma Xi, American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Society of Agronomy. He is listed in the 1953 edition of "Leaders in American Science."

Dr. York is chairman-elect of the Student Activities Section of the American Society of Agronomy and is chairman of three-State College faculty committees, including the Scholarship and Financial Aid Committee, Curriculum Committee, and the Library Committee.

He is the author or co-author of a number of publications and articles in the field of agronomy.

"Dr. York has demonstrated his ability as a leader in all phases of the educational program in agronomy," Dean Colvard said. "He is an excellent teacher and has initiated productive research activity in his field."

"His comprehensive understanding of the many phases of our agricultural program, his fairness in dealing with people, his competence in agronomic work and his desire to cooperate with others commend him highly for the position as head of the Agronomy Department."

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WRITTEN by James S. Edson, this complete history of Auburn football was edited by L. O. Brackeen, '27, director of the API News Bureau. Those who already have copies consider it a must for all former Auburn football stars, and all Auburn men and women who enthusiastically follow the Plainsmen on the gridiron.

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Alumnalities

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1943

BIRTHS: A daughter, Faye Lillian, to Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Canzoneri, August 13, in Birmingham . . . A daughter, Cynthia Jane, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Long, Jr., (Myra Trawick, '45), July 29, in Panama City, Fla. . . A son, Dennis, to Mr. and Mrs. Erskine Vandergrifts, Jr., July 18, in Montgomery . . . A daughter, Marian Denise, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Hahn, Jr., July 11, Birmingham . . . A daughter, Susan Carroll, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Miller, (Sarah Atkinson), in Bradenton, Fla. . . A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ike Bright of Birmingham . . . A son, Barney Rentz, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Dunn, August 12, in Union Springs . . . A son, Robert Ardis, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hints, (Jane Ardis, '46), July 26, in Pensacola, Fla.

Mrs. Sarah Green Palmer resides in Clanton, Ala. . . Maston B. McLendon, Jr. operates McLendon Motor Freight Service in Union Springs, Ala. . . Roy T. Fuller, Alabama Sales Representative with Spencer Chemical Co., resides in Montgomery . . . Dr. Henry L. Sherrod, Jr. has moved to New Orleans, La.

1944

BIRTHS: A daughter, Ruthmary Kay, to Mr. and Mrs. Pete B. Turnham, of Auburn, December 29. Mrs. Turnham is the former Nettie Rice, '45 . . . A daughter, Martha Leigh, to Mr. and Mrs. William J. Willis, West Middlesex, Pa., June 25. Mrs. Willis is the former Mary Claire Burns, '45 . . . A son, John Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Svenson, August 30, Bogota, Colombia, S. A., where Mr. Svenson is a staff engineer with the B. F. Goodrich affiliated company there . . . A son to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McLemore, Jr., Montgomery, September 1 . . . A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. James M. Foster, (nee Sara Pride), January 4.



W. L. Randolph Named Veep of National Farm Bureau Group

WALTER L. Randolph, '25, of Montgomery, was recently named vice-president of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

The election to the high national post was a birthday present for Mr. Randolph, who was born Dec. 17, 1905, on a Fayette County, Ala., farm. Since 1940 he has served as president of the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation and at the time of his recent election, he was a director of the national group and chairman of its resolutions committee.

Worked at various posts

RANDOLPH served at one time on the editorial staff of *The Progressive Farmer* magazine at Birmingham, and from 1934-40 he held various positions in state and federal offices of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

For three years Mr. Randolph was a member of the Farm Credit Board New Orleans. Under his able administration the Alabama Federation rose from 24,000 to 74,000.

14th straight term

LAST November saw the Alabama Farm Bureau group re-elect Randolph to his 14th consecutive term as president. The annual convention at Biloxi, Miss., sent the widely known agricultural leader back into office without opposition, giving him a standing vote of confidence.

R. Flake Shaw, secretary of the

1945

BIRTHS: A daughter, Valeria Evelyn, to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Voight, Jr., of Selma, October 10. Mrs. Voight is the former Evelyn Kidd, '48 . . . A son, William Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lee Greene, Jr., '48, (nee Jane Fackler), in Montgomery, July 8 . . . Twin sons, Keith Evan and Kim Alan, to Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers Bryant, of Montgomery, July 13.

Miss Beryl Walker is living in Montgomery . . . Harry Jenks resides in Atlanta . . . William H. Pierce, whose wife is the former Lois Swingle, '49, is principal of the Pinetta, Fla., public school . . . Jack G. Springer is living in Tallahassee, Ala. . . John C. Barnes, Jr. has his home at Demopolis, Ala.

1946

BIRTHS: A daughter, Louise Adams, to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Upshaw, '47, of Chicago, August 16. Mrs. Upshaw is the former Evelyn Torbert . . . A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John D. Gilder, Auburn, August 7.

MARRIAGES: Nancy Ann Shultz to William C. Pearson, September 19, at Wenatchee, Wash.

Miss Mimi Simms, assistant director of the University of Alabama News Bureau, is secretary-treasurer of the Southeastern District of the American College Public Relations Assn. . . James T. Matthews, Jr., is living in Yorktown, Va. . . Rufus Barnett is now serving as president of the Dale County Coordinating Council at Ozark, Ala. . . Jack M. Dunlop is president of Dunlop and Harwell Motor Co. in Opelika, while his wife, the former Elizabeth Harwell, '40, is secretary of the corporation.

1947

BIRTHS: A son, James Earnest, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. James E. Nicholas, of Mobile, August 17 . . . A daughter, Dorothy Susan, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Herbert Lancaster, Montgomery . . . A daughter, Cynthia Anne, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Thomas Estock, Birmingham . . . Twins, Louise and Charles Maynard III, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Lovelace, (nee Jane Mims), August 15 . . . A son, William Hugh, to Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Pace, '49, (nee Ann Black), of Auburn, November 18 . . . A daughter, Glenda Gayle, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. DeGrove, III, Jacksonville, Fla., November 23.

Charles W. Whatley is now living in Anniston, Ala., where he is a member of the research department of Monsanto Chemical Company's Phosphate Division . . . J. H. Whitson, vocational agriculture teacher at Winston County High School, was recently named "Man of the Year" in Double Springs, Ala. At present he is head of the Double Springs Lions Club and county chairman of the March of Dimes . . . Miss Irene Long, formerly of Argo, Ala., is new director of Georgia Methodist Information. Miss Long had been employed as a reporter and editorial assistant for the Methodist Board of Missions in New York during the last four years. Georgia Methodist Information is the news reporting and public relations office for the Methodist Church in Georgia. Miss Long has had newspaper and photographic experience in the daily and weekly newspaper fields, and was editor of the Auburn Plainsman while at API.



North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, nominated Mr. Randolph for the vice-presidency of the national organization. His nomination was seconded by J. Walter Hammond, president of the Texas group.

Mr. Randolph fills a vacancy caused early in 1953 by the resignation of Romeo Short of Brinkley, Ark., who left to join the staff of Secretary of Agriculture Benson.

1948

BIRTHS: A son, Charles Russell, to Mr. and Mrs. Jamie L. Jones, Jr., '49 director, Baptist Student Union, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Ark. Mrs. Jones is the former Beverly Jean Childs . . . A daughter, Sue Ellen, to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Howard, August 8, Montgomery . . . A son, Joseph Benton, to Mr. and Mrs. George H. Gibson, June 26, Montgomery . . . A son, James Ollie, III, to Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Helms, November 9, in Opelika . . . A son, Clifford Joseph, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hare, November 5, in Auburn . . . A daughter, Tere, to Dr. and Mrs. John S. Yow, December 5, in Birmingham . . . A daughter, Marcia Ellen, to Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Dillard, November 3, in Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Higgins, (nee Anne Jean Franklin, '49), are back in the States after spending three years in Berlin, Germany, where he worked with the United States Air Force. They are now living in Auburn . . . Frank A. Britt is living at Enterprise, Ala. . . William R. Richardson, Jr. has his home in Elko, Ga. . . James I. Warren, Jr. is residing at Macon, Ga. . . Joe G. Peterson is with the API School of Chemistry . . . William A. Johnson is now living in Albertville, Ala. . . Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Wallner are living in Hammond, Ind., where he is a chemical engineer with the DuPont de Nemours Co. Mrs. Wallner is the former Joann Irene Hammond. They were married on August 8, 1953.



Gator Bowl Items . . .

AN INTERESTING item revealed by Arnold Finnefrock in the *Florida Times-Union* of Jacksonville, Fla., was that the first president of the Gator Bowl Association and five brothers are Auburn alumni.

That isn't all. Jacksonville is hometown for the six Auburn brothers. The six are W. E. "Ted" Arnold, '14, the first GBA chief; Robertson T. Arnold, '01, John S. Arnold, '05; the late H. V. Arnold, '04; J. R. Arnold, '31, and W. E. Arnold, Jr., '44.

In his column "Fanning with Finney," Mr. Finnefrock related several interesting facts disclosed in an interview with Ted Arnold, who is now executive director of St. Luke's Hospital in Jacksonville, and who for many years was one of the leading referees in the South.

'Pete' Burkhalter

ARNOLD'S immediate successor as president of the Gator Bowl Assn., was another Auburn man, the late Peyton B. "Pete" Burkhalter, '12. A prominent construction engineer, Mr. Burkhalter officiated in scores of top Dixie gridiron contests as an umpire.

According to Mr. Finnefrock, Radio Station WMBR started awarding a handsome trophy in Pete's memory back in 1948 to the player chosen by sports writers and sportscasters as the most outstanding player in the game.

"Ted Arnold," wrote Mr. Finnefrock, "was the first string quarterback on four Auburn teams, three of them among the greatest in the history of the school."

Ted was quarterback in 1913, when under Mike Donahue's able guidance Auburn really achieved fame. That year the Plainsmen won eight games, lost none, and scored 223 points while holding the opposition to 13.

800 attend Open House

OVER 800 alumni and friends attended Auburn's Open House celebration in Jacksonville Thursday night before the Gator Bowl contest with Texas Tech.

Held in the Mayport Room of the Roosevelt Hotel from 7:30 to 1:00 a.m.,

Taylor advances



Dr. John R. Taylor, '29

DR. JOHN R. Taylor, Jr., '29, recently became sales manager of the Grand River Chemical Division of Deere and Company, whose main and sales offices are located in the Utica Square National Bank Building, Tulsa, Okla.

Dr. Taylor resigned from his post as agronomist for the American Plant Food Council to take the new position. He had been with the Food Council since 1946.

"We regret to lose the services of Dr. Taylor," said Paul T. Truitt, president of the Food Council. "He has contributed greatly to developing the Council's program and activities."

From Buffalo, Ala.

DR. TAYLOR was born in Buffalo, Ala., in 1908, graduated from API in 1929, won his Master's degree in agronomy at West Virginia University in 1935, and his Ph.D. degree in soil chemistry at the University of Wisconsin in 1937.

From 1938 to 1946, Dr. Taylor was active in the fertilizer division of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Corporation, Richmond, Virginia. During World War II, he was a major in the Chemical Corps of the Army and received a citation for meritorious executive ability and superior technical knowledge as an administrative officer.

Previously, he was a member of the staff of Alabama Experiment Station at Auburn. Dr. Taylor has contributed numerous articles and bulletins on agricultural subjects to scientific and agricultural publications.

He is a member of the American Chemical Society; the American Association for the Advancement of Science; the American Society of Agronomy; Soil Science Society of America; Sigma Xi, national honorary research society; Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary scholastic society, and Gamma Sigma Delta, national honorary agricultural society.



the occasion was a happy one for many who renewed old friendships with classmates and others whom they had not seen for several years.

To see the Gator Bowl battle, Auburn men came from far and wide. Several who were there from particularly distant places were Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Lee Esslinger, '08, of LaMesa, New Mexico; Dr. and Mrs. Elliot Kaplus, '37, of Clifton, N. J.; George W. Lanier, '33, Houston, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Mauldin, '45, Los Angeles, Calif.; George R. Dunlap, Jr., '49, Detroit, Mich., and Col. Neil Gordon MacEachern, '41, who was then living in Haverhill, Mass. Col. MacEachern was recently transferred to Maxwell AFB in Montgomery.